

IN THE HIGH COURT AT CALCUTTA
CONSTITUTIONAL WRIT JURISDICTION
APPELLATE SIDE

WPA 11563 of 2026

Sankar Sardar
-versus
State of West Bengal & Ors.

Mr. Omar Faruk Gazi
Ms. Shaoni Panda
Ms. Bidisha Das
... For the petitioner

Mr. Suryaneel Das, Id. AGP
Mr. Partha Chakraborty
Mr. Bhaskar Bhattacharyya
... For the State

1. Affidavit of service filed on behalf of petitioner is taken on record.

2. Learned advocate representing petitioner submits that petitioner is victim of post-poll violence and cannot stay at his own residence apprehending physical assault. It is submitted that a complaint was lodged before concerned police authorities and prayer is made for providing protection to petitioner which would enable petitioner to stay at his own residence.

3. On behalf of State respondents, a communication dated 22nd May, 2026 of Officer-in-Charge of Sandeshkhali Police Station is filed and same is taken on record. Copy of the said communication dated 22nd May, 2026 is made over to learned advocate representing petitioner.

4. It is disclosed in the said communication that based on complaint dated 19th May, 2026 of petitioner's wife, an FIR was registered and criminal prosecution commenced, being Sandeshkhali Police Station Case No.263 of 2026 dated 19th May, 2026.

5. In view of initiation of criminal prosecution, concerned police authorities are directed to take the same to logical conclusion by completing investigation and submitting report before the jurisdictional Magistrate.

6. However, concerned police authorities are directed to provide protection to petitioner, if occasion so arises, which would enable petitioner to stay at his own residence.

7. Writ petition stands disposed of.

8. Urgent photostat certified copy of this order, if applied for, be given to the parties, upon compliance of necessary formalities.

(Saugata Bhattacharyya, J.)